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Summer Fun

Approximately 100 students and faculty members took a short break from their summer classes for a float trip down the Buffalo River. The so-called "Harding Navy" was comprised of 50 canoes and a rather conspicuous flagship (left) piloted by Commodore Nyal Royse. In addition to his sailing duties, Dr. Royse serves as Director of Graduate Studies. The flagship was a source of amusement for many participants on the float trip, but their amusement soon turned to envy when they discovered the commodore's craft was much easier to steer and 100% drier than the easily tipped over canoes. Harding's navy has scheduled more maneuvers during the second summer session.

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Students Return from Campaigns

Seventy-three Harding students and 15 students from Freed-Hardeman College returned July 6 from six weeks of campaign work in five European countries.

The students participated in eleven campaigns in England, Holland, Germany, Switzerland and Italy. There were 31 baptisms and 1,000,000 pieces of literature were distributed.

According to Dr. Joe Hacker, director of the campaigns and chairman of Harding's Bible department, the summer campaigns were the largest singularly coordinated evangelistic effort by members of the Church. The campaigns were under the oversight of the elders of the College Church of Christ in Searcy. Mr. and Mrs. Elvis Hufford served as coordinators for the students from F-HC.

In Zurich the campaign work drew the largest attendance to meetings since the Church was begun there. In Cologne and Rome the campaigners worked in areas of the cities where no preaching had been done previously. The campaigners also helped build facilities for a summer camp in Rome.

The 1973 campaigns marked the seventh consecutive year in which Harding students have participated in European evangelism programs. The summer campaigns are planned by the European congregations and each congregation supplies the campaign preacher, advertising, and food and lodging for campaign workers. Students secure their own support for travel to and from Europe.

Hacker pointed out that the campaigns are the main thrust of the

European congregations' evangelistic program. The students help the congregations contact and teach prospects.

Commenting on the work of the students, missionary Ted Thomas said, "The work that Harding students are doing in Europe is perhaps the finest action that has been undertaken here since those years just following World War II.

Twenty invitations for campaigns in six countries have already been extended to the students for evangelistic endeavors in the summer of 1974.

Chairman Named For Department

Dr. Gary Elliott, assistant professor of English, has been named chairman of the English department. He succeeds Dr. Neil Cope who has been acting chairman of the department since 1969.

The native Oklahoman is a Harding alumnus. He received his baccalaureate degree in Bible. He attended Harding's Graduate School of Religion prior to attending North Texas State University and receiving the M.A. degree in English.

During spring commencement exercises this year at Kansas State University the new chairman was awarded the doctorate in English. He taught at Harding from 1967 until 1969 when he left to do doctoral study at KSU. He rejoined the Harding faculty in 1971.

He has also taught at Fort Worth Christian Academy and Fort Worth Christian Junior College.

Gardner Reports On Annual Fund

Harding's Annual Fund program continues to conduct campaigns in various cities across the nation, soliciting annual financial support for the college's program.

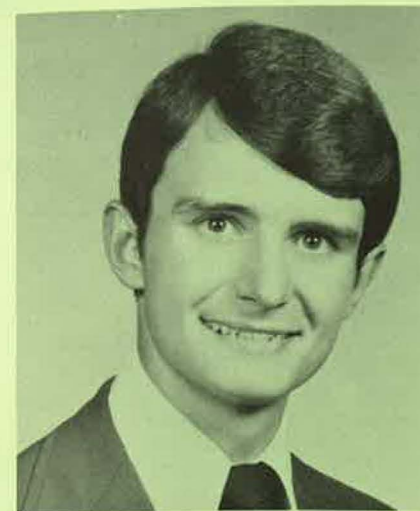
Paul Gardner, director of the Annual Fund, has released the partial results from a recent Annual Fund drive in Columbus, Miss. Twelve of the 23 families contacted thus far in the campaign have pledged \$1,740 annually to Harding.

In making the report Gardner noted that the average gift per year was \$145. "We are particularly pleased with the Columbus campaign," he pointed out, "both in the number participating and the size of the contribution. We hope we will be able to interest more people in the Columbus area in Harding's program of Christian education."

Gardner praised the work of Harding alumnus Bill Brumley. "Bill made all the arrangements for the initial meeting and was very helpful in contacting prospective donors," he remarked.

Harding's Annual Fund was begun in 1971. Financial support pledged to the fund is used to help supplement the college's operating budget. Alumni, parents of alumni and others interested in Christian education participate in the program.

The director of the Annual Fund described the fund raising campaign as a "grass roots" project designed to give everyone an opportunity to help support Christian education.



John Simmons

Chemistry Student Will Receive Priest Scholarship

John Simmons, a senior chemistry major from Humboldt, Tenn., has been selected to receive the 1973 Duane E. Priest Pre-Medical Memorial Scholarship. The announcement of the selection was made by Dr. Don England, professor of chemistry and adviser to pre-med students.

The recipient of the award has maintained a perfect 4.00 grade point average in his college studies. Prior to enrolling at Harding, Simmons attended Freed-Hardeman College where he was president of his graduating class.

At Harding he is a member of the Chi Sigma Alpha social club. He was named as the male honor student by the 1973 PETIT JEAN.

The selection of the award is based on a student's Christian character, academic ability and financial need. The scholarship fund was established in memory of Duane E. Priest, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Earl Priest of Memphis. Priest was a pre-med student at Harding from 1967-69. He and his wife were involved in a tragic automobile accident in which Priest was fatally injured.

Simmons is the fourth student to receive the scholarship. The 1972 recipient, Swaid Swaid of Israel, was recently accepted at the University of Alabama Medical School in Birmingham.

Eleven Join Faculty for '73-74

Eleven new teachers will join the Harding faculty for the 1973-74 school term, according to an announcement by Dean Joseph E. Pryor. All appointments become effective at the beginning of the fall semester.

Mrs. Faye Doran will be an instructor in the art department. A Harding alumnus, she received the M.Ed. in 1971 from Penn State University and also has done doctoral study at the university.

Three teachers will be added to the Bible department faculty. Van Tate of Nairobi, Kenya will be the visiting professor of missions. He received his undergraduate training at Abilene Christian College and he holds the M.A. in missions from Fuller Theological Seminary.

Ed Sanders and L. V. Pfeifer will join the faculty as assistant professors of Bible. Sanders received the M.A. degree from Harding's Graduate School of Religion in 1964. Pfeifer holds both the Master of Divinity and the Master of Theology degrees from Golden Gate Baptist Seminary in San Francisco.

Miss Barbara Karaffa, a 1971 Harding graduate, will serve as an instructor in business education. She holds the M.A. degree from Bowling Green State University.

The addition to the education department will be Mrs. Lois Brown. She holds the A.B. and M.A. degrees from San Diego State College. She will be an assistant professor of special education.

Rodger Brewer will be an instructor in the English department. A 1970 Harding alumnus, Brewer has done graduate work in English at East Texas State University where he is a candidate for the M.A. degree.

The history department will add Earl Cobill and Ponder Wright to its teaching staff. Cobill, an assistant professor of political science, is a candidate for the Ph.D. degree from the University of Mississippi. Wright, an assistant professor of history, is a candidate for the Ed.D. from Oklahoma State University.

Mrs. Lynn England will be an instructor in home economics. She previously taught at Harding in 1966. She is a Harding alumnus and holds the M.A. degree from the University of Mississippi.

Mrs. Ava Conley will serve as an assistant professor of Spanish during the school year. She earned the B.A. degree from Ohio University and the M.A. degree from Vanderbilt University.

In addition to the new faculty members, four teachers will return to teaching duties from leaves of absence. Returning are Ron Doran (biology),

Charles Walker (business), Robert Eubanks (speech) and Karyl Bailey (physical education).

Included in the list of faculty members on leave for 1973-74 are Mrs. Josephine Cleveland, English, University of Mississippi; Clifton L. Ganus III, music, University of Colorado; Mrs. Alice Jewell, English, Ball State University; Fred Jewell, history, Ball State University; Robert Kelly, business education, University of Mississippi; Dennis Organ, English, Texas Tech University; and Tom Statom, history, University of Alabama.

Eleven Classes Planned For Annual Lectureship

Eleven daily classes have been scheduled during Harding's annual Lectureship which this year will be held October 3-6.

The theme of the 1973 Lectureship is "The Age of Crisis." The program will be directed by Dr. Joe Hacker, chairman of the Bible department, and will be coordinated by Dr. Neale Pryor, associate professor of Bible. Thirty-five guest speakers will have a part in the four-day program.

The daily classes have been planned to supplement the eleven theme lectures and four theme forums which are included in the schedule of presentations.

Two of the classes will be of special interest to women attending the Lectureship. Hilda Vanderpool of Fort Smith will teach a class on "The Liberated Christian Woman." Mary Nell Richardson of Little Rock will discuss the topic, "The Christian Wife and Mother."

Three classes will be taught by residents of Searcy. Ed Sanders will conduct a class on "Crises in the Life of Paul." Allan Isom will teach a class on "The Christian Husband and Father." "The Start of a Home" will be the topic of the class conducted by Jim Woodroof.

Others teachers and their topics will be Owen Olbricht of Campaigns Northeast, "Campaigning for Christ;" John Davis, Beaumont, Tex., "Helping Others Through Their Crises;" Hershel Dyer, Tulsa, Okla., "Effective Leadership, A Must for Our Churches;" King Buchanan, Irving, Tex., "Meeting the Crisis of the Preacher Shortage;" Delmar Owens, Norman, Okla., "The Church, A History of Crises;" and Carl Cheatham, Nashville, Tenn., "Crises on the University Campus."

Further information about the 1973 Lectureship may be obtained by writing either Dr. Hacker or Dr. Pryor.



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The new section of metal stands at Alumni Football Field is nearing completion and is expected to be ready in time for the first home game, Sept. 15. The additional seating facilities, sponsored under the direction of Searcy's Downtown Bison Boosters, will increase the stadium's seating capacity to approximately 4,300. A new, permanent concession stand is also under construction.

Bison Grid Team: A Title Contender

The Harding College Bisons will undoubtedly be in the thick of the 1973 Arkansas Intercollegiate Conference football championship race. In fact, the 1973 Cowboy Bowl winners may be right up there close to the top. But they definitely will not be there alone.

According to a recent poll of AIC coaches, Harding and Southern State will loom as the top title contenders in this fall's quest for the league crown. At this point, Southern State holds a slight edge in the predictive rating race.

Harding will return an intact backfield that rushed for more yardage, scored more points and netted more total offense than any other backfield in Bison history. Last year the Harding offense finished fourth on the nation's rushing charts (NAIA) and seventh in total offense.

The defensive line also survived the graduation epidemic in good shape, losing only one down lineman. The offensive line and defensive secondary will need work, but Bison coaches have a nucleus of lettermen to work with in each department.

A pair of All-American honorable mentions, quarterback Tom Ed Gooden and tailback Alan Dixon will lead the

1973 offensive attack. Dixon was second in the nation in rushing last year and led the AIC last year in rushing, scoring and total offense. Gooden topped the league charts in passing and punting and was third in total offense.

Yet, Southern State is not without assets either. The 1972 Mulerider offense led the NAIA in rushing, and 10 of the 11 starters are returning. In fact, 20 of 22 starters will be left over from the 1972 AIC co-champion Mulerider team, and depth seems to be no problem.

The coaches' poll picked Southern State and Harding to again dominate the AIC as they did last year. Harding notched a 10-1 over-all record and Southern State registered an 8-2 mark. Both teams had 5-1 records in league play. But there's a doubt about whether

they want to share the conference title for the second straight year.

The sought-after crown could be determined on the two teams' 15th meeting which will take place at Harding's homecoming this year. No doubt it will be one of the most important homecoming games in Harding annals.

There is reason for optimism in the 1973 Bison grid camp, probably more than ever before, but there is plenty of room for a cautious outlook. The possibilities of a top-notch season are strong, but the question remains — just how strong?

Barring injuries, costly errors and academic malfunctions, the 1973 Bison roster shows all the talent and makings needed for a repeat record. It could be a now-or-never season.

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